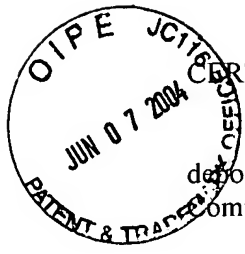


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Applicant(s): Paul V. Cooper Docket No.: 23438.00042
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 TITLE: MOLTEN METAL PUMP COMPONENTS

TRANSMITTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Commissioner:

Herewith is a Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified application.

☒ Applicant asserts small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §§1.9 and 1.27.

Enclosures:

☒ Preliminary Amendment

FEE CALCULATION, CLAIMS AS AMENDED:

	Claims remaining after amendment		Highest number previously paid for		Present Extra				Additional Fee
Total Effective Claims		minus	20	=		x	\$ 18.00	=	\$0.00
Independent Claims		minus	3	=		x	\$ 86.00		\$0.00
							Subtotal:		\$0.00

TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE ENCLOSED: \$0.00

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Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 6-1-04

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Prior to examination, please amend the subject application as follows: